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Committees: Natural Resources (Chair); Transportation (Chair); Families, Seniors, and Human

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Biography: Republican, of Escanaba; born July 20, 1959; spouse, Diane; children, Ashley

(Chan) Wakefield and daughter Oaklyn, Tom (Renee), Hillary, Dane; worked in family's log trucking business for 27 years, 12 years as owner-operator; member, Michigan Association of Timbermen, Timber Producers Association, Bark River Lions; recipient of numerous awards, including Michigan Manufacturers Association Advocate of the Year, Michigan Forest Products Council Tuebor Award, Legislative Leadership awards from Great Lakes Timber Professionals, County Road Association, ABATE, Developmental Disabilities Council, Michigan Soft Drink Association, Delta Conservation District, Michigan Association of Timbermen Special Volunteer Award, American Logging Council National Logging Safety and Innovations Award, and Transportation Riders United Forward Motion Award for Most Effective Public Servant; awarded Legislator of the Year by Michigan Propane Association, Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Townships Association, Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Hunting Dog Federation, Michigan Aggregates Association, and MIRS News; elected to the House of Representatives, 2002, 2004, 2006; elected to the State Senate, 2010 and 2014.